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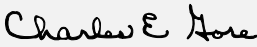
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SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS  
QUARTERLY LABOR

JANUARY 2002 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the QUARTERLY FARMLABOR SURVEY for the week of January 6-12, 2002. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,  
  
State Statistician

**NEW MEXICO-ARIZONA:** Number of hired workers on farms and ranches in New Mexico and Arizona (Mountain Region III) the week of January 6-12, 2002, remained at 18,000, unchanged from the previous year. Hired workers were paid an average of \$8.42, an increase of .70 cents from the previous year but .54 cents less than the 2002 national average of \$8.96. Hours worked on farms and ranches averaged 47.7 hours per week compared to 44.2 hours the previous year. This is an average of 9 hours per week over the U.S. average of 38.6 hours per week

**UNITED STATES:** There were 914,000 hired workers on the Nation's farms and ranches the week of January 6-12, 2002, up 7 percent from a year ago. Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$8.96 per hour during the January 2002 survey week, up 30 cents from a year earlier. The number of hours worked averaged 38.6 hours for hired workers during the survey week compared with 37.3 hours a year ago. Field workers received an

average of \$8.25 per hour, up 49 cents from last January, while livestock workers earned \$8.25 per hour compared with \$8.07 a year earlier. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate at \$8.25 was up 38 cents from last year.

Workers on Farms, Hours worked Per Week, and Wage Rates for All Hired Workers,  
Selected Regions and U.S., January 2001-2002

	Mountain II <sup>2/</sup>		Mountain III <sup>3/</sup>		Southern Plains <sup>4/</sup>		United States <sup>5/</sup>	
	Jan 7-13 2001	Jan 6-12 2002	Jan 7-13 2001	Jan 6-12 2002	Jan 7-13 2001	Jan 6-12 2002	Jan 7-13 2001	Jan 6-12 2002
<b>Workers on Farms</b> All Hired Workers	18	17	18	18	65	61	691	731
<b>Hours Worked</b> All Hired Workers	39.8	33.2	44.2	47.7	38.1	41.5	37.3	38.6
<b>Workers By Work Type</b>								
Field	7.57	8.54	6.71	7.57	7.35	7.82	7.76	8.25
Livestock	7.76	8.48	7.35	8.48	7.71	7.37	8.07	8.25
Field & Livestock	7.68	8.51	6.91	7.85	7.53	7.57	7.87	8.25
All Workers	8.72	9.15	7.72	8.42	7.98	8.05	8.66	8.96

<sup>1/</sup> Excludes agricultural service workers. <sup>2/</sup> Mountain Region II consists of CO, NV & UT. <sup>3/</sup> Mountain Region III consists of AZ & NM. <sup>4/</sup> Southern Plains region consists of OK & TX. <sup>5/</sup> Excludes AK.